GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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GRANTS TO BHARAT SCOUTS AND GUIDES
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has provided any grant to the Bharat Scouts and Guides for its activities;

(b) if so, the details of the activities and the grant provided during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government grants any priority/concession to the Youths trained by the Bharat Scouts and Guides in employment matters; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ, YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b):The activities of Bharat Scouts & Guides include; President Scouts/Guides Testing Camps, Workshop/ Seminars/ Training Courses, Training Camps (Project Advancement), Youth Programmes/ Forums/ Adventure Programmes/ Gatherings, Inter-State/Inter-Regional Cultural Exchange Programmes, Environmental Awareness and Nature Study Camps, Unit Leaders Conference for Scouters/Guiders, Periodical Meets,

Coordination of Scouting/Guiding activities.The details of grants-in-aid released to the Bharat Scouts and Guides, New Delhi during the last 3 years are as under:-

2004-05 Rs. 1,00,00,000/-

2005-06 Rs. 1,45,00,000/-

2006-07 Rs. 1,10,00,000/-

There is no provision under the Scheme to allocate funds State-wise.

(c) & (d): No priority/ concession is provided by the Union Government to the youth trained by the Bharat Scouts and Guides in matter of employment. However, the Indian Railways annually recruit Rashtrapathi Awardees of Rovers and Rangers trained by the Bharat Scouts & Guides at Group C and Group D levels. Similarly, State Governments grant incentives at their level which vary from State to State.